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Ouster Proceedings Brought.

County Clerk A. L. Awalt and County Treasurer Taylor were this week served with ouster proceedings brought by the district attorney as a result of the investigations of the state auditor in which an alleged shortage in these offices of several thousands of dollars is charged. The papers for service on these officers were sent up Monday and filed and returned. County Clerk Awalt admits that he has not replaced any of the three thousand dollars charged to his office as shortage and says that if the lowest salary bill passed by the last session of the legislature and vetoed by the Governor was accepted as the basis of payment, that the county would still owe him the sum of \$2,000.00 and that he is satisfied that his books are in good shape. Taylor thinks that it is all a concocted scheme to ruin him politically if possible and that it is being brought about by certain persons from whom he has refused to accept dictation as to the manner in which he should conduct the affairs of his office irrespective of law. It has also been stated that the district attorney desires to wash his hands of the matter by putting the burden of proof of the alleged irregularities up to the traveling auditors office and for them to present the evidence in substantiation of their charges as submitted following the investigations.

Walker's Market Robbed.

Two hams and about twenty pounds of bacon were taken from Walker's Meat Market sometime Sunday night. Access was gained to the market by removing the screws that holds the clasp on the front screen doors. In order to do this it was necessary for the thief to cut a piece of moulding which covered one of the screws. The robbery was not detected until Monday morning when one of the employees found the premises in a disarranged condition. Night Marshall Sadler was of the opinion that the screen door has been previously cut and that the absence of marks on the woodwork and screws gave evidence that access was not gained in this manner, but he offered no explanation of the manner of robbery. In this contention he says he is borne out by carpenters who have made a careful examination of the job.

Turf Saloon Robbed.

One night last week a robber gained access to the interior of the Turf Saloon by cutting the glass sufficiently to permit him to reach inside and loosen the window catches and to raise the window. Only a small amount of money was obtained as the robber overlooked the cup containing the day's receipts. The proprietor says that he always leaves the safe door unlocked to accommodate any cracksman having a curiosity as to its contents.

Greatest War in the History of the World

Germany and Austro Hungary on One Side Against England, France, Russia, Servia, Belgium and Montenegro on the Other, with good prospect of other European Nations becoming involved. U. S. declares neutrality.

Preparations for the greatest war in the history of the world are now in progress and several engagements of minor importance have been fought. The first battle in the air among aircraft has also occurred. The News in briefs is as follows:

Germany declared war on Russia and France.

England declared war on Germany because of the latter's violation of the neutrality of Belgium.

A French Aircraft rammed a German dirigible balloon and all airmen went down to death together.

In the first important engagement between the Austrian and Servian troops the latter were victorious driving back the invading Austrians.

Each of the nations are mobilizing to their full war strength, which will place about twenty million men on a war footing.

Germany has, it seems, decided that after forty years of preparation for war that the time has come to strike the decisive blow.

Many Americans are isolated in foreign countries and are unable to return to the United States because of the suspension in steamship traffic. The United States is going to the rescue with ships and money.

The French in the Mediterranean

can have attached three German Cruisers. Germany sank one Russian Cruiser and ran one ashore. Germany has bombarded several of her enemies ports.

A great naval battle between English and German fleets in the North Sea is reported in progress. This will be the greatest naval engagement from the point of number of ships engaged in the history of the world.

Russia commands Black Sea Base and England is to block North Sea ports. All cable communication with Germany has been cut.

A financial panic in the United States was narrowly averted by the hasty action of congress in making a billion dollars immediately available. Already in some eastern states, the banks refuse to pay over ten dollars a day to any depositors, regardless of the amount of their deposits.

Prices in foodstuffs are rapidly advancing both in foreign countries and in the United States. In France and England they have almost doubled. The New York stock exchange which soon became the clearing house of the world has closed for the first time since 1873.

Congress appropriates two and a half millions for relief of stranded Americans in foreign

countries.

President Wilson has tendered his services as mediator to the countries involved, but it is considered that it is too late and that there is now no recourse but to fight it out.

The British Government had declared war on Germany an hour before the Germans made the same declaration, but they had not been apprised of the fact.

IN MEXICO

From present indications we are liable to have a little touch of the war game right here at home. The latest dispatches tell of the severance of relations between Villa and Carranza and also of the latter's rejection of the peace plans of President Carbajal, who had agreed to turn over the reins of government to the Constitutionalists. It is said that Villa will set up a separate republic in northern Mexico, which he now controls and that the territory embraced will cover the states of Chihuahua, Sonora, Coahuila and others in northern Mexico. He is enlisting soldiers to his cause at the rate of thousands daily and is acting independent of the Carranza faction. The United States will keep her troops at Vera Cruz until a stable government is established and may have to yet intervene.

Some Dandy Crops.

In company with Clarence Polk and Earl Sammons, of Melrose, the News man took a drive in the western part of the county Monday observing the crops and general conditions of the country. Without doubt, the best crop of kaffir corn seen growing between Clovis and Melrose is that of L. W. Locker, on his farm north of Blacktower. Mr. Locker also has a fine crop of spring chickens of which fact all preachers will take notice. The corn crop is just as good as made in most of the fields which the farmers estimate will go as high as thirty-five bushels to the acre. The country never looked better at this season of the year.

Barn for Hospital

Association.

Contractors are at work on a brick barn to be built on the block occupied by the new Santa Fe hospital on the Liebelt addition. The structure is to be 30x40 and will be of brick and concrete construction. The \$100,000 hospital building is now completed and about ready to be taken over by the hospital association.

Evangelistic Meeting.

Evangelists Crim and Crumbie will conduct a meeting at the Baptist church, beginning next Sunday morning at 11 and continuing several days. Elaborate arrangements are being made for a good meeting. There will be a large platform erected with abundance of seats for holding outdoor services in the evening.

Everybody is invited to attend these services, assist us in the good work, and share with us the blessings of the meeting.

MILTON REECE

Pastor.

Banquet to Teachers

A banquet was tendered the teachers attending the Curry County Normal by the faculty at the residence of W. E. Carron, Thursday evening at which occasion an interesting evening was spent. The Normal closed its instructive sessions Thursday and Friday and Saturday will be devoted to the examinations.

A dance will be given at the Elks' Hall Friday night in honor of Miss Genevieve McNeil, of Chicago, who is here visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Kelly,

Elks to Entertain

The Clovis Elks are always starting something unusual and original. This time it is to be an entertainment to the ladies. All Elks in good and regular standing are requested to bring their wives, sisters, mothers and sweethearts to the Elks' hall on the 14th when something real entertaining will happen. There will be music by the Elks' quartette, singing, dancing, instrumental music and refreshments. It is thought best to caution some Elks, however not to bring their wives and sweethearts to one and the same affair as this is to be a peaceable gathering.

Al Jennings Loser

Oklahoma City, Aug. 6.—Al J. Jennings, former train robber and convict failed to beat back in his race for governor. He was defeated by J. A. B. Robertson, former Supreme Court Justice, in a close race. Robert L. Williams, Supreme Court Justice, was third.

Senator Gore was renominated over Samuel W. Hayes, former chief justice of the Oklahoma Supreme Court.

Masons to Give Banquet

The custom of the Clovis Masons is to give a banquet once a year and to invite the members of the lodges of the neighboring towns. Last year about two hundred members of the order attended the function but this year it is expected that the number will greatly exceed that amount as more elaborate preparations are being made. C. E. Justus, Grand Master of the Clovis lodge made a special trip in from the ranch Tuesday night to discuss the matter with the members and it was definitely decided to have it on the 18th. The Eastern Star Lodge, of which order Miss Anna Curren is Worthy Matron, will assist with the cooking and serving of the spread. Sharpen up your teeth all ye sons of Solomon.

Tennyson's Prophecy

Lord Tennyson was firm in the belief that before the dawn of universal peace there would be the bloodiest conflict between nations that the world had ever known, and in 1842, long before such a thing as an air ship was known, and just after taking a ride on the first railroad train in England, he wrote in "Locksley Hall" as follows:

"For I dipt into the future, far as human eye could see,
Saw the vision of the world and all the wonders that would be;
Saw the heavens fill with commerce, argosies of magic sails;
Pilots of the purple twilight, dropping down with costly bales;
Heard the heavens fill with shouting, and there rain'd a ghastly dew
From the Nations' airy navies grappling in the central blue;
Far along the world-wide whisper of the south wind rushing warm,
With the standards of the peoples plunging thro' the thunder-storm;
Till the war-drum throbb'd no longer, and the battle flags were furled,
In the Parliament of men, the Federation of the world.
There the common sense of most shall hold a fretful realm in awe,
And the kindly earth shall slumber, lapt in universal law."

Mrs. Wilson Dead.

Washington, August 6.—Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the president of the United States, died at the White House today at 5 P. M. of a complication of diseases.

The end came after two serious sinking spells. The president, and her three daughters, and Francis Sayre were at the bedside at the end.

The president was completely prostrated when his wife died and broke down entirely. When Secretary Tumulty entered the executive offices to tell waiting newspaper men his cheeks were bathed in tears.

Mrs. L. H. Royce, of Fairview Oklahoma, daughter of Mrs. Wismiller, is visiting here.